

1 **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CREATING AND DISPLAYING A**
2 **PREFERENCE BASED MENU FOR A VIEWING SESSION**

3 Abstract of the Disclosure

4 A video system has an input port to receive display contents including a plurality
5 of broadcast display contents and has an output port to couple to a video display.
6 Further, the system includes a preference engine, a storage device and a management
7 module. The preference engine is coupled to the input port and tracks viewer selections
8 of the broadcast display contents to create a viewer profile. The storage device is
9 coupled to the input port, the output port and the preference engine, and records a first
10 plurality of display contents according to the viewer profile and a second plurality of
11 display contents upon a viewer selecting the display contents for recording. The
12 management module is coupled to the preference engine and the storage device, and
13 defines a third plurality of display contents based upon the available broadcast display
14 contents for a viewing session and based upon the viewer profile. Further, the
15 management module creates a menu of viewing choices comprising at least one of the
16 first plurality of display contents, the second plurality of display contents and the third
17 plurality of display contents. The menu is displayable on the video display from which
18 a viewer can select a sequence of display contents for the viewing session.